BEST OF THE YEAR | One-fourth in hill made it appear that he gave 189 7-10 bushels, 91 4-10

Farmers' Club.

POTATOES AND GOOD ROADS

Discussed at Length-Mr. Slayton's Trial on Seed Potatoes-S. S. Bailey's Ideas of Good Roads.

Secretary Slayton of the Farmers' ub had a display of vegetables on a in the center of the club room resterday which was a revelation to the human race—and part of the pigs.

many of those present. First, a huge For two centuries people of every color and creed and of all nationalities have weigh sixty-two pounds, claimed the attention of all that entered. A Hubbard squash weighing 244 pounds was very much admired. A half dozen plates of sweet potatoes weighing from one-half pound to three and one-half pounds each were on dress parade and many expressed surprise that such fine specimens could be grown here. Mr. Blayton says he has grown them since he came home from the war and has sugar beets, a sample of which he sent to Washington and was informed that they yielded 15 per cent, of augar. He estimates that he can raise twenty tons to the acre, which would produce 6,000 nds of sugar. Mr. Slayton received seeds from the agricultural depart-

ment in Washington Mr. Smith was chosen chairman for the day, the president and vice-president being absent. Secretary Slayton read the following paper on his experience in raising potatoes in the past

Potato Trial,

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF KENT. SS Hills two feet apart in rows three feet asunder, medium size potatoes; once to turn it over.

Tows two potatoes in each hill, rows one in a hill, rows one-half potato in each hill, fist side down, and rows with one did, two halves in a hill gave eighteen bushels more than one-half in each hill vs. rows with one-fourth a hill gave. one-eighth and one-sixteenth each hill, and rows with hills sixteen thes apart, rows with oval shaped and rows with dumb-bell shaped

May 20, 1802, case called. Plantiffs and defendants all appear, join issue and enter into the customary bonds, being covered by Sheriff Hoe four inches deep; then adjourned suit for

June 20, 1892. It seems that all the sarties to this suit have had rather too much to drink during the past month and greatly to their detriment, how-ever, the rows with haives flat down put in the first appearance, the whole came next, then the halves with flat up; then came the fourths, eighths and exteenths in turn, tottering feebly after. Plaintiffs asked for adjournment

one week. Granted.

July 20, less of drinking and more of of genial sunshine has much improved the looks of all the contestants. It is plain that the evidence of the halves flat down is more compact and upright, while that of flats up and of the whole ones is more scattered and uneven. The fourths, eighths and sixteenths offer less of evidence in their order; but it is strong and to the point order; but it is strong and to the point and seems to be gaining in favor. Defendants request a month's adjourn-ment; granted.

Confident of Winning.

August 20, all the contestants in this case now seem equally confident of winning. The fractional parties, at first slow to appear, have brought for-ward much substantial testimony of late, and it will require a careful con-sideration of all the points involved in order to give a decision which will be just to the higgars and fully protect the public good. Material witnesses being out of sight the case is, by mutual consent, further postponed for fifty days; and Sheriff Hoe and his deputy. Hook, were instructed by the court to have all the parties and their witnesses present nunctually at the second number of the second number of their terms of the second number of the s messes present punctually at the ap-

county and state: In the case above recited, its appearing by the affidavit of Sheriff Hoe, that all the parties have fared exactly alike as regards food and drink, and moral and physical cultivation; and, being much inclined to keep foul company, were thoroughly dressed out by him in person three distinct and separate times; and it further appearing that Father Purple of London at four different convocations has granted full absoluconvocations has granted full absolu-tion from all striped size to each party alike, it is ordered that the trial do now proceed to a conclusion.

The Arguments. Attorney Workforpay remarked that were the first to appear in court, also the first to change their garb from green to brown; thus maturing two or three weeks the earliest, which fact must certainly give the plaintiffs their

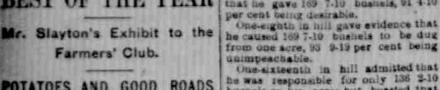
Attorney Noyoudont sprang to hi feet, exclaiming: "The early bird catches the bug, which thing is what we desendants did not want. Again, "Soon ripe, soon rotten." That we do not want. But it is postatoes we are after; not potatoes for the pig, but good, 'cookable,' edible potatoes for the table—the most we can get for the least lives and labor."

least land and labor." Judge Scales ordered that the testimony be taken. Clerk State and Penseparately. Two whole ones in a hill declared that they produced 199 bush-els per acre, 87 4 10 per cent being

One whole one in till stated that he yielded 177) bushels per acre, 91 7:10 per cent being marketable.

Two halves in a hill asserted that they gave 101 3-10 bushels, 81 8-10 per cent of which were respectable. One half in hill, flat down, averred that he turned out 162 8-10 bushels,

92 6.10 per cent being companionable. One half in hill, flat up, affirmed that he (athered 165 2-40 bushels, 91 7-10 of which were of good repute.



Oue-exteenth in hill admitted that he was responsible for only 138 2-10 busnels on his acre; but boasted that 95 4-10 per cent surpassed all the oth-

One-half in hills sixteen inches apart claimed 167 6-10 bushels per acre, 85 per cent being constitutional. Judge Scales charged the jury as

"GENTLEMEN-You are called upon to decide most momentous questions, questions which involve the full or empty pocket and stomach of hair of g and large enough around to wrangled over the question of the rethere might be few small ones at dig-ging. Nor yet are you to be biased by raised as high as forty bushels in one your reading in ancient mythology of year. He also exhibited some fine those semi-barbaric tribes, who tied a horse shoe to the churn to cause the butter to come quickly, or hung one over the door to bring good luck.

The Verdict, The verdict of the jury is, since that which is good is only desirable, we have eliminated the bad and find— First, that two whole ones to each hill gave 174 bushels per acre, one whole one gave 163 bushels, one-eighth potato in each hill gave 159 bushels, one-fourth gave 155 bushels; one-half, flat down, gave 150 and six-tenths; onehalf, flat up, gave 140 and six-tenths; one-sixteenth in hill gave 129 and nine-tenths bushels.

Second, that with halves planted flat down or flat up there is not difference enough to pay for bending the back

Fourth, that one whole one or one half one in a hill gave 8 per cent of poor potatoes, while two whole ones gave 12 per cent, and two halves gave

18 per cent, quarters gave 8 per cent.
eighths gave 6 per cent and sixteenths
gave 4 per cent of poor ones.

Fifth, that in distance halves 24
inches apart gave 150 bushels per acre
of good ones with 8 per cent of poor,
while halves 16 inches apart gave only
142 bushels of good ones with 15 per
cent of poor.

cent of poor.

Sixth, that shape is of little consequence, as a row planted with all oval potatoes gave 4 per cent of dumb bell shape, while a row planted with all of the last shape gave only 6 per cent of

Seventh, that the more the potatoes are cut in planting the less the ratio of

placed a plank in the platform favoring the improvement of roads. He said \$50,000 was raised in Kent county to

the money was not judiciously expended. Not more than \$400,000 would be needed to build first class roads in the needed to build hist class roads in the county from the city to the points named below: To Alpine, Englishville, Sparta, Kent City and Casnovia, Indian Creek, Pleasant, Lisbon, Belmont, Childs' Mills, Rockford, Edgerton, Cedar Springs, Lockwood, Sand Lake, branches to Plainfield, Cannonsburg, Gratter Courtland, Oakfield, Content of the county from the city to the points for diarrhoes with perfect satisfaction. I have handled and used a great deal of patent medicine, but never tried any that gave as good results as this." For saie by F. J. Wurzburg, druggist, 58 Monroe street. branches to Plainfield, Cannonsburg, Grattan, Courtland, Oakfield Center, Spencer Mills, Ada, Lowell, Fallass-burg, Alta, Bowne, Cascade, Whitney-ville, McCords, East Paris, Dutton, Caledonia, Alaska, Fisher, Corinth, Paris town hall, Gaines Center, Egypt, Chase Lake and a branch from Ada to pointed time.

October 10, 1892, in the supreme 250 miles of road in the county. Better roads could be made for \$1,500 per mile than most of the toll roads. If the mile than most of the toll roads. If the county were bonded for \$400,000 the yearly interest would be but \$20,000, only two-fifths of what is now raised for roads. Where toll roads exist he would buy them. He hoped to have a little taste of good roads before he was called to the place where all the streets are paved with gold.

Contagious Diseases.

Berend Sunkelburg, age 4 years, No. 89 Chatham street, diphtheria; Jacobus DeMiester, age 7 years, No. 364 Crosby street, diphtheria; Louie Baker, age 8 years, No. 157 Highland avenue, scar-

Burial Permits.

Diena Raman, age 46 years, No 23 Gelock alley; Peter Maisen, age 71 years, No. 81 Caledonia street.

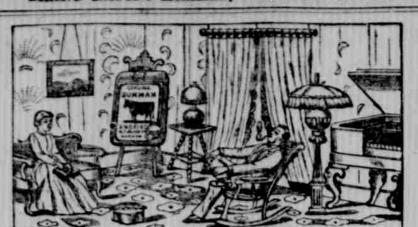
The following is a list of the marriage Hoenses issued since last publication, with the names, residences (when out of the city), and Albert C. Stauffer, Bowne, Mary A. Becker, Caredoula James W. Snyder, Fannie E. Hancock ... O Elmer D. Perrin, Lowell, 20, Cynthia Sayles, Lowell

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A Masonic entertainment will be given at the Bridge Street house Thurs-day evening, 17th inst. The commit-tees are requested to meet at the resi-dence of Mrs. Hatheway, No. 79 Henry street, tonight.

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The Grand Rapids Division No. 3 Uniformed Rabk K. O. T. M. will give a grand ball Thanksgiving eve, November 23, at their hall No. 6, Pearl street.
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